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Applicant(s)	: Heinz Baier et al.	Group Art: 2182
Serial No.	: 09/637,214	Examiner: not yet assigned
Filed	: August 11, 2000	
For	: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROGRAMMING FPGAs ON PC CARDS WITHOUT ADDITIONAL HARDWARE	

HON. ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The items listed on Form PTO-1449, a copy of which is enclosed, may be deemed to be pertinent to the above-identified application and are made of record to assist the Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of this application. The submission of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other items than those identified herein exist. The Examiner is respectfully requested to fully consider the items and to independently ascertain their teaching.

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a. one of the certifications pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) set forth in paragraph 9 below; and

b. the attached petition requesting consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement; and

c. the fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) which is paid as set forth in paragraph 10 below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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